

Now I Lay

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(Verse 1)

'Pump it up, you came to get it krunk*
A dame and shit and drunk, you came to get it onnnnnn'*
That's when it all got started (I mean)
Back then I wasn't so cold hearted
With every stanza came an extravaganza
For every question he got one less answer
I was tryin' to be more than cool
Nah it was before that, maybe boarding school
That was back when I would want endanger myself*
Maybe it was just to entertain myself
I don't need help, I could change myself
Fuck ya'll, I ain't gotta explain myself
Death's around the corner, I could hear his footsteps
Does he think that I'm the only nigga in the hood left
So tell any listener of mine
For twenty eight years been a prisoner of the mind

(Hook 2x)

Now I Lay me down to sleep (And I)
I pray the Lord my soul to keep (If I)
If I should die before I wake (Then I)
I pray the Lord my soul to take (I mean)

(Verse 2)

Welcome everybody into the brain of a self proclaimed sinner
Even when he can't win, that nigga won't surrender
Bulls fault, put the wheels in motion
I felt every emotion except devotion
Message in a bottle in the bottom of the ocean
But I can't swim, damn it I can't win
So I don't care how you rate me
It'd take a long time to evaluate me
So if, this be the last time you hear me
Just know I got a loved one near me
Please don't cry, let a eye get teary
A nigga good, finally I'm somewhere care free
Past is frightening but the futures scary
And I'm, gettin' to the point that I fear me
In a class all alone, don't compare me
But I'll, blame God this is where he steered me*

(Hook 2x)

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(Verse 3)

They tell me that eyes is the window to a mans soul
So what you happen to see a nigga can't control*
And I turned a def ear*
To any nigga anybody that'll get my head clear
Why shake the dice if you never gon roll
I told em, that the straight-jacket can't hold em
I ain't phsycho, don't belittle me now
It's just a tittle cause they couldn't figure me out*

If you give a damn when shit hits the fan
Please know anything I ever did a nigga planned
Tryin' to better, high as ever*
Since I learned how to lie to a lie detector
Still I'm damaged
They say if you stay in that boat long enough you'll see where the land is
So I'm right where I need to be
Please believe it believe it please, let's get on our knee's

(Hook 2x)

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